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TERRANCE JONES INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY ON FIREARMS CHARGE

Anchorage, Alaska – United States Attorney Nelson P. Cohen announced today, May 8, 2008, that Terrance Lee Jones, a resident of Anchorage, Alaska, was indicted by a federal grand jury in Anchorage, for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The one-count indictment names Jones, age 38, as the sole defendant.

According to the indictment, Jones possessed a loaded firearm on April 24, 2008. By virtue of his previous felony convictions, including convictions for aggravated robbery, second degree robbery, second degree assault and second degree burglary, federal law prohibits Jones from doing so.

Assistant United States Attorney Kimberly Sayers-Fay, who presented the case to the grand jury, advised that Jones is being charged as an Armed Career Criminal. As such, he may be subject to a fifteen-year mandatory minimum period of imprisonment. The maximum penalties Jones may face for the offense charged is life imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, or both, plus three years supervised release. Under the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, the actual sentence imposed will be based upon the seriousness of the offenses and the defendants' prior criminal history.

The Anchorage Police Department, Alaska State Troopers and the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation leading to the indictment in this case.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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